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2	Plaintiffs,	
3	v.	
4	HARTFORD CASUALTY INSURANCE	
5	COMPANY, et al.,	
6	Defendants.	
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8	PACIFIC ENDODONTICS, P.C., et al,	NO. 2:20-CV-00620-BJR
9	Plaintiffs,	
10	V.	
11	OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, et al.,	
12	Defendants.	
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14	NGUYEN, et al,	NO. 2:20-cv-00597-BJR
15	Plaintiffs,	
16	v.	
17	TRAVELERS CASUALTY INSURANCE	
18	COMPANY OF AMERICA, et al.,	
19	Defendants.	
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- 3. On November 24, 2020, the Court granted the parties' Stipulated Motions for Amended Complaints and Briefing of Dispositive Motions and ordered amended complaints in the consolidated actions be filed no later than November 25, and that the briefing of dispositive motions in each of the consolidated cases be completed by March 5, 2021.
- 4. Under Local Rule 23(i)(3), there is a deadline to file a motion for class certification within 180 days of filing a complaint.

**Now, therefore**, in light of the Court's orders, including the current discovery stay until the Court rules on dispositive motions, counsel for the parties agree that good cause exists to continue the date upon which the Plaintiffs shall file their motions for class certification pursuant to Local Civil Rule 23(i)(3).

The parties stipulate and request that a comprehensive case schedule, including deadlines for fact and expert discovery and (for class action cases) the filing of a motion for class certification, be set by the Court, if necessary, after the Court rules on the dispositive motions.

## **ORDER**

Having reviewed the parties' stipulation, and finding that good cause exists for the requested relief from LCR 23(i)(3), the Court will, if necessary, issue a case schedule setting deadlines for fact and expert discovery and for Plaintiffs (in the class action cases) to file their motions for class certification in the above-referenced actions after the Court rules on the dispositive motions, which are scheduled to be fully briefed and filed no later than March 5, 2021, pursuant to the Court's November 24, 2020 Scheduling Order entered in the actions. DATED this 7th day of January, 2021.

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